

THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

FLAGS ON STATE BUILDINGS ORDERED LOWERED TO HALF STAFF

WHEREAS: Today the State of Georgia mourns the loss of Coretta Scott King, one of the most graceful and influential civil rights leaders of our time; and

WHEREAS: Throughout the Civil Rights movement, Coretta Scott King was an aid and comfort to the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and following his tragic death, carried on their non-violent movement for equality and justice; and

WHEREAS: In 1968, Coretta Scott King founded the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Non-Violent Social Change in Atlanta, Georgia to honor Dr. King's memory and to advance the cause of civil rights; and

WHEREAS: Coretta Scott King demonstrated unwavering dedication to the causes of social justice and peace that she and her husband held dear and carried that message across all nations;

NOW THEREFORE, IN HONOR AND AS A MARK OF RESPECT FOR THE MEMORY OF CORETTA SCOTT KING, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That the flag of the United States and the flag of this State be flown at half-staff on all state buildings and grounds from this date until sunset on the day of her funeral.

This 31st day of January, 2006.

GOVERNOR